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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

CATHY A. CATTERSON U.S. COURT OF APPEALS

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff - Appellee,

v.

JULIAN LOPEZ-LICON, aka Julian Lopez Lincon, Juan Garcia, Julian Ochoa-Lopez,

Defendant - Appellant.

No. 02-10544

D.C. No. CR-02-00574-EHC

MEMORANDUM*

Appeal from the United States District Court for the District of Arizona Earl H. Carroll, District Judge, Presiding

Submitted September 12, 2003**
Pasadena, California

Before: KLEINFELD, WARDLAW, and W. FLETCHER, Circuit Judges.

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^{**} This panel unanimously finds this case suitable for decision without oral argument. See Fed. R. App. P. 34(a)(2).

Julian Lopez-Licon appeals the denial of his Motion to Dismiss the indictment for attempted reentry under 8 U.S.C. § 1326(a). We affirm.

Sneaking under the fence, walking north two or three blocks, and hiding behind a bush from the Border Patrol sufficed for an "attempted reentry" conviction, even if continual surveillance amounting to official restraint might have prevented an "entering" or "being found in" conviction. <u>United States v. Leos-Maldonado</u>, 302 F.3d 1061, 1063 (9th Cir. 2002), controls.

AFFIRMED.